His direct approach gets things done for his community. An open door office policy and quick thinking made him a great city manager and a unique public official. Through his hard work Tom has earned this retirement.

I ask my colleagues to join me today in commending Tom Brooks for his tremendous accomplishments during his service to Port A.

RECOGNIZING PAT MOODY OF "MOODY IN THE MORNING"

HON. FRED UPTON

OF MICHIGAN
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 15, 2003

Mr. UPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments of Pat Moody, host of the popular radio show, "Moody in the Morning." Born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, Pat has enjoyed a thirty year storied career in broadcast media informing and entertaining the residents of Southwest Michigan with his communication skills and talents. Behind the scenes, Pat has been extremely active within the communities of Southwest Michigan, filling such prominent roles as Executive Vice President of the Cornerstone Chamber of Commerce, Vice-Chairman of the Lake Michigan College Board of Trustees, and Member of the Berrien County Cancer Service Board of Directors, just to name a few of his volunteer activities. In fact, Pat Moody has also been honored with the Volunteer of the Year award that identifies him as one of the most dedicated servants in all of Southwest Michigan. Constantly working to contribute to his community, Pat has truly earned my admiration and the respect of the entire Southwest Michigan Community. Happy anniversary, Pat! We wish you continued success!

IN SUPPORT OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY LEGISLATION

HON. LEE TERRY

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 15, 2003

Mr. TERRY. Mr. Speaker, I come to the floor today to introduce an important energy efficiency bill, along with Representatives ENGEL, BILIRAKIS, GRAVES, KILPATRICK, and others. The aim of this legislation is to bring real energy savings to homeowners and businesses, while increasing U.S. energy security.

Specifically, this legislation would provide a tax credit for the use of Energy Star-qualified heating and cooling systems and windows. As you know, the Department of Energy's Energy Star program endorses products and appliances that meet high energy efficiency standards. Last year alone, with the help of the Energy Star program, Americans saved enough energy to power 10 million homes—saving energy consumers approximately \$6 billion. Obviously, the Energy Star program is worthy of our support.

My bill will encourage further growth of smart, energy-conserving technology by making it more affordable. This legislation comes at a time when America can no longer afford to ignore its looming national energy crisis. Since the energy crisis of the 1970s, the

United States has increased its energy use by 30 percent, while domestic energy production has increased only 14 percent. Even more troubling is the Department of Energy's predictions that, by 2020, U.S. energy consumption will increase 50 percent for natural gas, 43 percent for electricity, 35 percent for petroleum, and 22 percent for coal. The course we are on is unsustainable.

There is no single silver bullet to solving our energy challenge. We need a three-pronged approach, which includes increasing domestic production; urging sensible conservation; and encouraging more energy efficiency. Unfortunately, energy efficiency is often the least emphasized and most overlooked approach to increasing U.S. energy independence.

Innovations by private industry have greatly increased our energy efficiency over the past 20 or 30 years. Homes, offices and manufacturing plants now use about 25 percent less energy compared to 20 years ago, due to more efficient appliances, equipment and construction. Today's best air conditioners use 50 percent less energy to produce the same amount of cooling as air conditioners built in the mid–1970s. This directly benefits our energy security and the environment.

Last month, the House passed a comprehensive energy bill (H.R. 6) to help America meet its energy challenges. Included in the House energy bill is an \$18 billion tax-incentive package that will boost energy efficiency for homes and businesses, encourage more generation from renewable energy, and further the development alternative energy sources. However, H.R. 6 does not address the Energy Star products in my legislation. Including the provisions of my bill in a comprehensive energy plan would help strengthen our nation's energy policy.

The bottom line is that America can no longer afford to ignore its looming national energy crisis. My legislation can play a small but significant role in a balanced, realistic policy that produces more energy, protects the environment and expands our economy. I urge my colleagues to join me in cosponsoring this legislation.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LOIS CAPPS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 15, 2003

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I was not recorded for two votes last night and would like the record to reflect that I would have voted as follows: Rollcall No. 183—yes; No. 184—yes.

NATIONAL PEACE OFFICERS' MEMORIAL DAY

HON. JERRY F. COSTELLO

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 15, 2003

Mr. COSTELLO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to all the true heroes—our law enforcement officers—who last year made the supreme sacrifice of their tomorrows so that we might live in peace and safety today.

President John F. Kennedy proclaimed May 15th as National Peace Officers' Memorial Day in 1962. However, it was not until May 15, 1982 that the first National Peace Officers' Memorial Day Service was held in Washington, DC. It is important that all citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards, and sacrifices of their law enforcement agencies. The memorial that was created in Washington, DC stands as a daily reminder of these dangers facing our law enforcement officers and of how these brave men and women died facing them.

In honor of the law enforcement officers who, through their courageous deeds, have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community or have become disabled in the performance of duty, Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing and paying respect to our fallen heroes.

A RESOLUTION HONORING BRIENNE WILLCOCK, LEGRAND SMITH SCHOLARSHIP WINNER OF HORTON, MI

HON. NICK SMITH

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 15, 2003

Mr. SMITH of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, let it be known that it is with great respect for the outstanding record of excellence she has compiled in academics, leadership and community service, that I am proud to salute Brienne Willcock, winner of the 2003 LeGrand Smith Scholarship. This award is made to young adults who have demonstrated that they are truly committed to playing important roles in our Nation's future.

As a winner of the LeGrand Smith Scholarship, Brienne is being honored for demonstrating that same generosity of spirit, intelligence, responsible citizenship, and capacity for human service that distinguished the late LeGrand Smith of Somerset, Michigan.

Brienne is an exceptional student at Hanover Horton High School, and possesses an outstanding record of achievement in high school. Brienne has received awards for her excellence in English, as well as her volunteer activities with The Girls Scouts, earning a Silver Award. Brienne has also garnered several awards and much respect from her peers for her exceptional leadership skills.

Therefore, I am proud to join with her many admirers in extending my highest praise and congratulations for her selection as winner of a LeGrand Smith Scholarship. This honor is a testament to the parents, teachers, and others whose personal interest, strong support and active participation contributed to her success. To this remarkable young woman, I extend my most heartfelt good wishes for all her future endeavors.

IN HONOR OF CAROLE ROGERS

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 15, 2003

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Carole Rogers. Ms. Rogers spent two decades as a tireless advocate for women's rights as the Director of Public Policy